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TAGS: GDS  
SUBJECT: NEGOTIATION OF PRC TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH SOCIALIST  
COUNTRIES

1. INDIAN EMBASSY OFFICER (SRINIVAS), WHO HAS GOOD CONTACTS  
IN EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSIONS HERE, HAS TOLD US THAT PRC HAS  
DELAYED BEGINNING OF NEGOTIATIONS ON ANNUAL TRADE PROTOCOLS  
WITH USSR AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THE  
POLS AND HUNGARIANS SPECIFICALLY HAVE PRESSED  
THE CHINESE FOR EARLY NEGOTIATIONS BUT HAVE BEEN TOLD ONLY  
THAT THEY WILL BE INFORMED WHEN PRC IS READY. SRINIVAS BE-  
LIEVES THAT LATE FEBRUARY MIGHT BE THE EARLIEST FOR THE  
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BEGINNING OF ANY TALKS. THE SINGLE EXCEPTION TO THIS IS  
ROMANIA, WITH WHOM PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS HAVE ALREADY BEGUN.  
ROMANIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR TOLD US THAT A  
ROMANIAN TRADE DELEGATION WILL TRAVEL TO PRC EARLY IN NEW YEAR  
TO DISCUSS "TRADE MATTERS."

2. COMMENT. DISCUSSIONS ON THE ANNUAL TRADE PROTOCOLS BETWEEN

PRC AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES USUALLY BEGIN IN NOVEMBER OR  
DECEMBER. PRC DESIRE TO POSTPONE THE DISCUSSIONS THIS YEAR  
IS IN LINE WITH INDICATIONS THAT CHINESE ARE REASSESSING  
THEIR ECONOMIC SITUATION AND PERHAPS REDRAFTING OR REVISING  
THEIR FOREIGN TRADE PLANE.

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